RICHMOND E-NEWS

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SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK (18-24 AUG)

- On Sunday, Communion at **St John's** (10:30 am); Morning Prayer at **Holy Trinity** (9 am) & **Christ Church** (11 am)
- On Wednesday, Songs of Praise at St Mark's (7 pm)
- On most days the rector offers a brief **morning prayer time** live at 8:30 am (and viewable at any time later). See <u>Parish of Richmond and Woodstock YouTube</u>

Among those we uphold in prayer: Alice, Allen, Betty, Cecil, Christine, Cole, Connie, Debbie, Doris, Frankie, George, Græme, Helen, Ivan, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Murray, Nadine, Nicole, Peggy, Phyllis, Ronald, Shawn, Sheldon, Shelley, Shirley, Steven, Tara

Please advise Pat Margison (328-8146) of name deletions as well as name additions.

Whom do we know in hospital? There's a convenient way to get a cheery greeting to the hospitalized. The hospital delivers it. Parishioners receiving these notes have mentioned how important they are. Check out: https://horizonnb.ca/patients-visitors/send-a-message-to-a-patient/

Kindly remember the Food Bank when you shop.

This coming week's birthdays: **Sheila Smith, Robert Foster** Anniversary: **Mark & Jennifer Sewell**

Have you checked the parish's Facebook page lately? (16) The Anglican Parish of Richmond, Diocese of Fredericton | Facebook

On Monday 19 August **Parish Prayer Time** resumes at St John's, 6:30 pm. It's an opportunity for quiet prayer and meditation, with some folk

sharing as they feel called. Thanks to **Rosanne Carpenter** for initiating this group ministry 2.5 years ago.

The Compassion Fund's ministry to purchase backpacks for children in need continues for the approaching school year. Congregants are invited to supply the materials to fill them -- notebooks/scribblers, pens/pencils, coloured pencils/markers, highlighters, pencil cases, erasers, rulers, glue sticks, binders, water bottles and anything else that students might need.

The fall's **Talking Tuesday** initiative runs at both St Luke's hall (evenings) and the Richmond Parish Centre (afternoons) from 3 September onwards. A leaflet with details of the first nine sessions is at the back of each church. Anyone in our broader communities is welcome.

• Session 1 (Tuesday 3 Sept) looks at **Death – the elephant in the**room — What happens when we die? Talking about death won't kill
us but we don't do that – do we? How do we begin the
conversation in a safe space, especially as Christians? In this session
no question is barred and we may explore freely the physical,
practical and the spiritual dimensions of death in safety. We will be
able to ask questions of a funeral director, lawyers and priest and,
through audio-visual presentations, understand what end-of-life
care and Dying with Dignity might look like. After care is available
for anyone wanting follow-up chats.

As we turn towards the unfolding opportunities of autumn, note that the **Atlantic School of Theology** is offered some encouraging internet-based offerings. Instructors are first rate. Parishioners who have taken these courses rate them as memorable.

- Look especially at the course around eight everyday challenges of modern discipleship: <u>The Atlantic School of Discipleship at AST |</u> <u>Atlantic School of Theology (astheology.ns.ca)</u>
- Note also the AST course on themes and variations in the history of Anglicanism offered by the distinguished rector of St Paul's Halifax: Roots and Branches: Anglican Tickets, Tue, Sep 10, 2024 at 1:00 PM | Eventbrite

Camp Medley is opening a campaign to build a much-needed new swimming pool. The current one is decades past its projected life. The camp is looking for 100 Anglicans able to pledge \$100 a month to the project across the next two years. Presumably this would cover the cost of technical planning. John Galbraith, Medley's director, is an impressive visionary. See the story and the pledge form in this week's Diocesan e-News: https://nb.anglican.ca/news/new-pool-maintenance-facility-in-the-works-for-camp-medley

This week's photograph with the e-News reminds us that Holy Trinity must be one of the few NB houses of worship nowadays where congregants walk or bicycle to church. Also this week, the e-News concludes the Lives of the Saints series. Diaries quoted anonymously have been those of Lillian McBride, Wendell Bell, Audrey Bell, Anna Bell, Florence Britton and Viola Bell. Viola's 75 volumes of diaries (1917-1984) are heading to the Provincial Archives. She was a possibly unique example of a single country woman who made her living from needlecraft. Though rather marginal in life, she will be well remembered through the relentlessly detailed daily record that chronicled it.

Lives of the Saints – *death of a saint*

28 April 1946: "[W]alked to Alfred's & was surprised to see so many cars around but went in just the same. Found Rettie sick in bed since Wed. Stella, Mildred & Leota all there, & Lee, Jennie & Ernest McL. I waited till Wendell & Anna came & got a ride to Church with them & called on our way back & Anna stayed to get supper.... Had a good crowd out to Church. 30 there beside Mr [Gordon] Smith & 21 took Comm. This was the Easter service as he wasn't up here last Sunday.... Took his text from the 28[th] verse of 19th chapter of John & spoke of the resurrection & of Joseph of Arimathea & says we all do things secretly for fear of the Jews. Took that as his ill[ustration] & gave us a good sermon. They also sang "Rejoice the Lord is King" today. 30 April: "Sent Rettie a get well card yesterday." 1 May: "Mazie tells me that Rettie is not so well this week. ... Then I went to the store. Marjorie & Phyllis came just after I went & Helen & everyone was feeling bad about Rettie as she took some kind of a spell Mon & has been very sick since & doesn't notice much I guess. Dr Brown was out again today. Got stuck at Carter Brook I guess & walked from there. ... Helen said Hazel was up last night with a nice bunch of flowers from the Guild. Marguerite Flemming is there as a nurse." 2 May: "Vernon...went in to the store & called in on his way back to say Rettie is not any better. Can't speak or can't swallow anything & I guess the Dr

didn't give them much hope when he was out yesterday." 3 May: "Up to DeWitts...& they said Myles called at noon & the boys said Rettie was sinking fast. I came home around 4 & just got to the gate when Marvin, Wilbur, & Byron overtook me & stopped & Wilbur said Rettie had passed away a short while before. Hardly seems possible. So glad I saw her on Sunday when she seemed to be getting better & said I didn't meet you at the door today." 4 May: "[W]ent to the store before noon & talked to Doris quite a while & the funeral is not til Sun. Helen was down to the church & her & some of the men swept it up a bit & dusted. Mr Smith had to go away so Mr [Frank] Grimmer is coming, & Morrell & Anna are coming today. ... I went down to Alfred's & stayed nearly an hour I guess. Ernest brought me up home about 3:30. A lovely afternoon, & Rettie does look so happy, just a little smile like she always did." 5 May: "[I] left here before 1:30 to go down to Alfred's, but only got below the gate when Holland, Della, Vernon, Ella & Mazie overtook me so I went down to the house with them, & there was a big crowd there then. Doris was at the door, & we went right in but DeWitts wanted to go on down to the Church so I stayed & went down with Gordon, Roy & Mildred, Tom & Mary. Mr Grimmer had the service & read the 23rd psalm & spoke from that. Arnold, Stanley, Fred Carter & Charlie Upton sang. Mable played & Mrs Rideout, Alice Lilly[?] & some other woman also sang Peace Perfect Peace & Abide with Me. I saw so many folks. Bob & Pauline were out; also Nan Grey, Alice, Tom & Mildred McL. Also saw Ada Black & Ola Kidney (she was sister of Claude)."

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